GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS- PR&RD Department- Vigilance Report- Allegations of poor quality in community works executed by the Zilla Praja Parishad, Chittoor - Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri S.Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam-Charge framed–Written Statement of Defence-Inquiry Conducted–Charge Not Proved- Further action dropped - Orders- Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 695 Dated: 26-08-2025

Read the following:-

1. Vigilance Report No.20(C.No.6243/V&E/ENGG/2021, dt. 01.05.2023 of D.G., V&E.
2. G.O.Rt.No.32, PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, dated 10.01.2024.
3. G.O.Rt.No.38, PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, dated 10.01.2024.
4. WSD, dated 01.07.2024 of Sri S.Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam.
5. G.O.Rt.No.418, PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, dated 20.07.2024.
6. Letter No.CEVQC/V&E/Allegation/Community works/ZPPGF/Chittoor Dist/2024, dated 06.01.2025 of ENC, PR.
7. Govt. Memo No.167817/Vig.II/2021-8, PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, dated 19.06.2025.
8. Lr.No.Vig.(4)/17201923/2023, dated 09.07.2025 of the ENC, PR along with representation dated 02.07.2025 of Sri S.Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam.

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ORDER:

Based on the recommendations of the Director General, General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department made in the reference 1st read above, relating to allegations of poor quality in community works executed by the Zilla Praja Parishad, Chittoor, Government in the reference 2nd read above, have initiated common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 against Sri S. Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam and (9) others.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, Government framed the following articles of charge under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules,1991 against Sri S. Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam, with a direction to submit his written statement of defence:-

> Charge: That the said Sri S. Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam and presently working as AE, PRI, Pakala committed certain irregularities in execution of the work "improvements to the road from Balakrishnapuram road to Kannikapuram via Papaiah Indlu in Vedurukuppam Mandal" and he has recorded the work and recommended the bill for payment despite inferior quality of CC work and responsible for lapse.

By his above mentioned acts, Sri S.Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam and presently working as AE, PRI, Pakala, failed to discharge his duties, exhibited lack of devotion to duty and lack of integrity and behaved in a manner unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby contravened the Rules 3(1) and 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964. Hence, the charge.

3. In the reference 4th read above, the charged officer, Sri S. Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam has submitted his written statement of defence and denied the charge framed against him. After examining and having not satisfied with the Written Statement of Defense, Government appointed the Chief Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Vigilance & Quality Control, O/o.Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Vijayawada as Inquiring Authority to conduct regular inquiry into the charge framed against Sri S.Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam and (9) others and also appointed the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, SPSR Nellore as Presenting Officer, under Rule 20(2)(5)(c) of A.P.C.S.(CC&A) Rules, 1991, vide reference 5th read above.

4. In the reference 6th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Vijayawada has submitted the inquiry report of Inquiring Authority, wherein, the Inquiring Authority has held the charge framed against the charged officer, Sri S.Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam, as not proved, among others.

5. In the reference 7th read above, Government have communicated a copy of the inquiry report to the charged officer, Sri S. Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam, under Rule 21(2) of A.P.C.S.(CC&A) Rules, 1991, for his representation, if any, on the findings of the inquiry report. Accordingly, in the reference 8th read above, the charged officer, Sri S. Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam, has submitted his representation and accepted the findings of the Inquiring Officer.

6. After careful examination of the entire matter, Government hereby drop the further action against Sri S.Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam in the subject matter, as the charge framed against him, is held as not proved in the inquiry.

7. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada, shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada.
Sri S. Nagendra, the then Assistant Engineer, PRI, Vedurukuppam through the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada with a request to serve the order on the charged officer and furnish the acknowledgment copy to the Government.

Copy to:
The Secretary to VC, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
The General Administration (V&E) Department, Vijayawada.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, A.P. Mangalagiri.

The Principal Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Vijayawada.
The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.
The OSD to the Hon’ble Dy.CM for PR&RD, RWS&S and EFS&T.
The PS to the Principal Secretary to Government, PR&RD Department.
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